6. Guidelines have been issued for the use of a separate sterile syringe and needle for each injection.

7. Health Education.

Passport Collection Centres

1139. SHRI BADAL CHOUDHURY : Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state :

(a) whether the Government have taken any initiative for opening passport collection centres in the State Capitals of the North Eastern States;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the details of State Capitals of this region where such collection centres are likely to start functioning ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRIMATI KAMLA SINHA) : (a) to (c) Yes, Sir. A decision has been taken to open Passport Collection Centres in the Capital of each of the six North-Eastern States (other than Assam where a Passport Office is already functioning). The Government of Arunachal Pradesh, Meghalaya, Mizoram, Nagaland and Tripura, have already earmarked space and personnel for the Passport Collection Centres. The designated officials have been called to the Regional Passport Office, Guwahati and Passport Office, Calcutta for briefing, prior to the commissioning of the Collection Centres. The Government of Manipur have been requested to expedite their decision.

Bofors Kickback

1140. SHRI KRISHAN LAL SHARMA : Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state :

(a) whether the Central Bureau of Investigation has sought Government's permission to prosecute some public servants in Bofors kickback scandal;

(b) if so, the details thereof including those public servants; and

(c) the reasons for the delay by the Government in this regard ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (SHRI S.R. BALASUBRAMONIYAN) : (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) and (c) Further action on the Report will be as per the provisions of law and divulging details of the report at this stage could prejudice further action as provided under the law.

Grant for Hussainsagar Lake

1141. SHRIMATI LAKSHMI PANABAKA :
DR. T. SUBBARAMI REDDY :

Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state :

(a) whether the Planning Commission has approved the rehabilitation and conservation plans of the severely polluted Hussainsagar lake at Hyderabad, Andhra Pradesh;

(b) whether the Planning Commission has decided to provide a grant from the Centre to clean up this lake; and

(c) if so, the total amount likely to be provided to the State Government by the Planning Commission ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PLANNING AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION (SHRIMATI RATNAMALA D. SAVANOOR) : (a) to (c) The Planning Commission has given "in principle" approval to the proposal of the Ministry of Environment and Forests to lunch 100 per cent Centrally Sponsored Scheme "National Lake Conservation Programme" during the Ninth Five Year Plan. Hussain Sagar Lake at Hyderabad is also proposed to be taken up as a part of this Plan. The amount provided for this purpose would de decided by the Ministry of Environment and Forests after a specific detailed project report is received by the Ministry.

It may be pertinent to note that Under the ongoing World Bank assisted project "Hyderabad Water supply and Sanitation Project-I" costing Rs. 257.06 crore, there is also a sanitation component costing Rs. 44.82 crore. Under the sanitation component, the following item of work is inter alia included :

1. Protection of Hussain Sagar Lake by laying diversion sewer to divert the sewage entering the Hussain Sagar Lake through open Nallah away from the lake into the sewers down-stream of the lake.